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THE CONSTITUTION.

PRINCE REGENT RECEIVES
GRAND COUNCILLORS.

"YUNG SHING PO" SERVICE.

Peking, Feb. 4.

His Imperial Highness the Prince Regent has had a long conference with the Grand Councillors on the subject of constitutional reform.

He urged their Excellencies to complete the drawing-up of the new laws at an early date, and ordered the formation of a cabinet next month.

THE REGENT.

DISPENSERS WITH NEW YEAR CEREMONIES.

"YUNG SHING PO" SERVICE.

Peking, Feb. 4.

The Prince Regent dispenses with many of the New Year ceremonies out of consideration for his ministers.

With the Grand Councillors they were received at 9 a.m. on New Year's Day, and by noon all had paid their respects.

Not since the days of the Ching dynasty has the New Year audience been of such short duration.

FOREIGN TROOPS IN YUNNAN.

VICEROY LI MEMORIALISES THE THRONE.

"YUNG SHING PO" SERVICE.

Peking, Feb. 3.

His Excellency Li Ching Hie, Viceroy of the Yunnan, has

told a speech to the throne reporting the presence of a large force of foreign troops at Pun

Mai, in Yunnan.

The people are greatly agitated, and the Viceroy requests that the foreign minister concerned should be at once approached on the matter.

COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

A SHORT SERMON:

PEACE.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace—James, iii. 18.

For nearly two thousand years the reason just passed has been known as the season of peace.

It is recorded in the Bible that at the birth of Jesus, some shepherds on the hillsides near Bethlehem, heard a multitude of the heavenly host singing "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

Therefore Mr. Andrew Carnegie has chosen an apt time to make known his gift of ten million dollars to further the cause of world peace.

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting,

The Chairman said—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts having been in your hands for some days past may, I think, be taken as real. The increase in amount invested in properties is brought about by the purchase of property at Kennedy Town upon which the Company held a second mortgage. The first mortgagees having put the property up to public auction, to protect ourelves we bought it at a cost of \$156,000, and we have now arranged a lease thereof for a term of five years at a monthly rental of \$1,500, plus rates. The acquisition of this property accounts in part for the reduction in the amount shown as invested in mortgages, but you will have noticed in the profit and loss account that we have written off this account the sum of \$10,123.62. The term loans receivable used in the profit and loss account would perhaps have been better expressed as "investments in mortgages." Your directors deemed this a better policy than that of writing up the value of the property purchased by a similar amount. While this sum appears at the present moment as a loss to the Company it must be borne in mind that in the event of a sale of the property, which now stands in our books at actual cost price, we expect to receive such a sum as will more than wipe out this \$10,000. In addition to this recently acquired property the Company owns some 681,837 square feet at Kowloon Point and Yau-tai, all with excellent water frontage and which all stand to-day on our books at actual cost. Our house property at Yau-tai continues to be well occupied and is in good repair. We brought forward at the close of 1909 the sum of \$304,148.17, and after writing off the amount as shown we are still able to be proved. At all events, the master-guild given to the world before the birth of Jesus, the Golden Rule.

He came to bring peace—not the sort of peace that needs a sort of steel shield and armed men, but the sort that is safeguarded by kindness, generosity and more. The sort that bears no marks of selfishness and greed.

His peace was founded upon His new commandment—"That ye love one another." It was founded also upon that master-guido given to the world before the birth of Jesus, the Golden Rule.

The world is full of persons who sincerely believe it is as foolish to even talk about the Golden Rule ever prevailing outside of theory as to plan week-end excursions to the moon.

Just so long as this is true, very few persons will be so foolish as to think of the Golden Rule becoming a general practice. But when man grows out of their blindness and narrowness; when they come to a point where they can see and will admit the absolute practicability of such a course, the world will begin to wonder why the Golden Rule should not have been set in motion long ago!

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There being no question,

The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. A. L. Ough seconded, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Lo Chung Shiu moved the confirmation of the appointment as directors Messrs. S. A. Levy and W. Logan, who had been invited to join the Board in place of Messrs. C. S. Gubbay and E. Shellim, resigned.

Money will not hasten the approach of such a day. On the other hand, it will delay its coming.

Righteousness, fairness, justice, honesty—these things will bring it quickly.

And these things can be given by any one, no matter how poor in material possessions. They are God's riches placed in the hands of men for the betterment of humanity.

Mr. Ho Fook seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Mr. E. L. Hughes moved the re-election of Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gourdin as auditors.

Mr. J. H. Seth seconded and the motion was agreed to.

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The Chairman—Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

Among the passengers going to Manila on the s.s. Yuensang are Mr. Ch. Ambrosoli, of the Schwager Import and Export Co., M. Gallagher, Rev. Father G. Besnier, and Mr. R. H. Sharp.

TRAINING NOTES.

WILLOW TREE'S MAGNIFICENT SHOWING.

Happy Valley, 4th Feb.

The delightful weather this morning attracted quite a large gathering of interested spectators within the enclosure, included among whom were several ladies who contributed light and mirth to the conviviality of the morning meeting.

We have to welcome Messrs. C. R. Buckell and Fred. A. Cumming from Shanghai, whose first appearance this season in the valley was the occasion for many a hearty handshake in renewing the mutual acquaintanceship.

I have also to record the arrival for the first time of Mr. King from Canton, who will be seen in the saddle on Mossbrae Stable and Balloch's ponies.

If this modern Croesus thinks peace can be purchased, like land or labour, he is mistaken. If he thinks it can be insured to mankind by the payment of so much cash annually, he is again mistaken. Possibly he is wise enough to know that the greatest real value of his small gift—for it is small, when measured by his financial ability!—lies in the publicity it gives to peace.

Millions of men and women are thus caused to think about peace. Among them millions may be a few who will continue to think after the news has stale, or been paled by some vaster outpouring of unearned profits.

As they think, they probably will dig down nearer to the pure ore of truth about peace.

They may come upon some such a gem as this—that peace is not to be gained through money but through the right adjustment of the human heart to human relations.

Centuries of misleading have led me to think of money as the universal panacea. It is the great curio-all in the estimation of the majority. What money will not do cannot be done!

Yet the most wonderful change made in all history is due to the life and teachings of One who had no money to give for any purpose; One who gave himself to God.

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N. J. STABB,
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Hongkong, 24th January, 1911. [24]

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1911. [29]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

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A. F. DAVIES, Manager. [25]

Hongkong, 5th February, 1910.

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F. REICHMANN, Proprietor, Hongkong, 2d February, 1911. [32]

J. H. OXBERRY, Manager. [33]

Hongkong, 2d February, 1911. [34]

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Hongkong, 26th January 1911. [37]

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Hongkong, 22nd July, 1910. [38]

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W. GALLAGHER, Manager. [39]

Hongkong, 8th January, 1911. [40]

YACHTING.

CHINA NEW YEAR CRUISE.

On Saturday last several yachts of the Corinthian Yacht Club started off from the Club on a China New Year cruise, the route proposed to be followed being by way of Chinwan, Tungchuan, Taiho to Chungchow, and thence home—thus circling the island of Lantau. As the afternoon wore on, the breeze freshened up and towards dark quite a strong wind was blowing, so much so that the Evadne made the passage from the Club House to Chinwan Pass, in 40 minutes. The good ship Lady Godiva anchored in Chinwan for the night and during the evening the crews of the smaller boats were entertained on board.

Early next morning a start was made for Tungchuan, and it was not until the boats had passed Mawan that everyone realised that the wind had reached the force almost of a gale. The Lady Godiva went along with only one batter up on the foredeck and mainsail, while the others lay to and took in

ALL THE REELS
they could. With the wind a nasty short sea got up and the whole ocean seemed to boom with "white horses." The force of the wind may be gauged by

the fact that Mr. Keswick's boat Dallowen carried only a reefed foresail and it is not for an ordinary breeze that one will find Mr. Keswick under reefs.

The launch A.I. was also out with a picnic party and on arriving off "The Brothers" it was suggested that the return journey should be started instead of going into Castle Peak Bay. As soon as the launch was put to sea in going about, the wind caught her awnings and tore out the weather stanchions carrying them clear overboard of those on deck, and it was only with great difficulty that the funnel of the launch was saved from going overboard.

However, on arriving at Tungchuan the Lady Godiva was the first to anchor, while the Tortoise being sailed by Mr. Cook single-handed anchored under the lee of the island opposite. In the strong wind and choppy sea here, the

ANCHORS DRAGGED SO BADLY
that all the boats had to change their anchorages to the lee of the island some half-way along towards the north on the west side. Here, however, it was not pleasant, and the boats dropped all the ground tackle that they could to prevent dragging. During the night the wind changed to the south and made even this anchorage dangerous.

Next morning it was decided to move back to Chinwan, as the wind seemed to be holding, and as it looked like rain the trip to Taiho was abandoned. The return trip, however, was more wet than pleasant, with no wind after passing "The Brothers," but plenty of rain. A heavy rain squall came down during the afternoon completely blotting out all signs of land, and even in the Chinwan inner passage the shores were obliterated from view by the heavy downpour of rain which came with the squall. Fortunately, the squall passed away just as quickly as it had come down, leaving behind a calm sea with welcome sunshine—the first that had been seen during the trip.

THE NIGHT IN CHINWAN
was also calm and the only boat to arrive before dark was the Evadne and the Brynhilde. The Lady Godiva arrived about two o'clock in the morning, but even the sound of rejoicing which came from her crew in celebration of their safe arrival could not distract the repose of the weary crews of those boats already anchored.

The flotilla returned to the Club anchorage on the Tuesday with a pleasant wind, which in a manner compensated for the surplus of it that had been experienced on the Sunday.

The second cruiser race is to take place to-morrow round the Island to Starboard. The fifth club races for other classes will take place at the usual times on the same date; also the third club race for motor boats.

The Seventh Club Races of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was sailed to-day. The course for the Handicap Class was Channel Rocks (port) Cus Rock Buoy (port) Channel Rocks (star) Cus Rock Buoy (port) Moyers East Buoy (port) 8 miles. The competitors in this class were expected to be:

Dione Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Iris Commodore Eyes' n.s., Eric Mr. A. Denison, Ada Col. Chapman, Kathleen

Officers. n.s., Colette, Hon. H. E. Pollock, n.s., Miss Messrs Irving and Alabaster, Aysha Capt. Loring, n.s.o.a.

The One Design Class had the following course:—Mark Boat Quarry Bay (port) Cus Rock Buoy (star) Channel Rocks (port).

The following were the probable competitors:

Haleyon, Mr. B. R. Rouse, Bonito II, Mr. H. W. Bird, Ailsa, Mr. R. Sutherland, Daiphine, Officers, n.s.e.

CANTON BRAVES.

TROUBLE IN THE THEATRE.

THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT

Canton, February 3.

At the close of the year, the officer commanding the Canton recruits begged H.E. the Viceroy to notify the proprietors of all theatres in Canton to admit soldiers into these places of amusement at half price on Sundays and during the holidays.

Although the Canton Viceroy consented to this suggestion, the letters on the subject had not reached the hands of the proprietors. On New Year's Day about ten recruits in Tung Kwan paid half price for admission. The theatrical managers refused to let them in at half price, and a quarrel ensued. During the dispute another batch of soldiers arrived on the scene, and with their comrades, they obtained admission by force.

The officer commanding the regiment to which those riotous soldiers belong was telephoned for, and he hurried to the scene to maintain order. He mounted the stage and requested the musicians to stop for a time. He said the arrangement had been approved by the Viceroy, but the letters despatched by His Excellency to notify the proprietors had not been received. They were at the present moment in the hands of the Taotai Constabulary, who had not yet notified the proprietors. It was only a case of misunderstanding. He stated that he had received instructions from the officer commanding the recruits to obtain tickets for admission, so as to conform with the regulations of the theatre. He would demand tickets from the soldiers, and if he discovered any one had succeeded in obtaining admission to the theatre without a ticket, he would have him punished. On hearing this, the soldiers came out from the theatre to get tickets, returned to see the performance, and when the curtain was lowered they went away peacefully.

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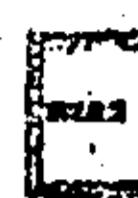
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**HONGKONG DAY
BY DAY.**

The Empire of India goes into Kowloon No. 1 dock to-day.

Cosmopolitan and Kowloon Docks have been full for some time past. A vessel goes into Aberdeen to-morrow.

A telegram to the "Yung Shing Po" from Peking reports that Prince Ching has been taken suddenly ill.

H. B. M. Consul General A. E. Wilson is returning to Manila by the *Zafiro* on Wednesday next.

For s.s. *Yuensang*, Mr. G. L. Baldwin, of the Vacuum Oil Co., is going to Manila.

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Two vessels went in the No. 1 dock, at Kowloon, yesterday. The work of excavation in the new dock has now been completed.

Mr. M. Shinnai, director and General Manager of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, is expected here on 8th inst., on the s.s. *America Maru* from Japan.

Mr. T. Spofford, Deputy Grand Junior Warden of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, arrived in Bangkok by the *Koh-si-chang* on the 15th ult., to consecrate and erect the new lodge of St. John in Bangkok and install the Worshipful Master and officers.

To recognise its incapability as a political guide, the critics of the National Assembly since that body was inaugurated are not such as to cause us to place very deep confidence in its ability. It has, of course, before it the most difficult of all difficult tasks, namely the revolutionizing of an ancient civilisation to the pace of modern progress. But scarcely has it been in existence than it finds it is in direct, and apparently paralysing conflict with the existing government. The huge and slowly moving body of public opinion in China realises clearly enough its own crying needs, but with the example of England, France and Germany before us at the present moment we cannot but regard with trepidation the unrestrained attempts at legislation of the National Assembly. We may compare the political situation in Peking to that in England. The Grand Council and the National Assembly are in conflict just as the British political machine, although with centuries of experience behind it, finds itself on the lee shore of the "Lords' Veto". The result eventually in both cases will be the same,—that is the people will attain full power; but as regards China we must recognise constituencies are claiming rights which they are at present inadequate to hold. It is not too much to say that less than one per cent of the people of the country are incapable of taking part in the administrative measures which are so urgently necessary. Problems of surprising difficulty confront the country—the people—it least a great majority of them—do not recognise the urgency of solving the same; and they, therefore, in the person of the National Assembly are a distinct danger. Should they succeed in obtaining unrestricted power, hasty legislation, with its usual results, is almost certain. We recognise that the Manchu as a political guide is a failure, but despite the handicaps of conservatism, anti-progressive ideas and aversion to change in any form, the Prince Regent and his Grand Council are a more reliable figure-head of State than the youthful politicians who represent the people in the seaports. His Imperial Highness and his ministers, while they may not have moved forward along the path of progress as rapidly as we of the West could wish, are not guilty, as the National Assembly has already been guilty, of hasty actions, whether of a progressive or retrogressive nature. In our cable news to-day will be found a Peking telegram to the "Yung Shing Po" stating that the Regent has urged the Grand Council to complete at an early date the constitutional laws and the establishment of a cabinet council next month. While we imagine that this news is more an "intelligent anticipation" than a statement of fact, whether relative or otherwise it is to be hoped that China will not be saddled with hasty legislation but, as best is her old and calm moving life, will make slow but steady to put her house in order.

Commander C. M. Knapper, of the U.S.N., is leaving for Shanghai on the 1st Asia to-day.

Mr. Gaspar, of the Canton Railway is going on leave for several months, leaving to-day per S.S. Asia.

The Pacific Mail liner *Asia* is fully booked for her return trip. She is due in San Francisco on the 4th of March.

Mr. H. H. Young, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., is going home for vacation, leaving the Colony to-day per S.S. Asia.

Sergeants Baker, Appleton, Jackson, Davis, and Davitt, of the Hongkong Police, will be leaving for home shortly for a holiday.

The concert for the benefit of the manager of the "Sailors' and Soldiers' Home" will take place on the 8th March next, and not on the 8th instant as previously stated.

On Monday evening Mr. P. Currie will deliver a lecture at the Y.M.C.A. on "Queensland". The lecture will be illustrated by a number of lantern slides, and it is expected that a large number of members will be present.

Under the care of Manager Brice one of the biplanes of the aviation trio now in Hongkong was successfully conveyed to Taipo on a special train yesterday. Capt. Baldwin was there to receive the machine.

S. M. S. Scharnhorst, which arrived yesterday from Batavia, is awaiting the arrival of Rear-Admiral Krosicki. The Admiral was appointed to take command of the East Asiatic Squadron on the 22nd of last month. He is expected here on the 26th inst., coming via Siberia.

The petty officers of the Tamar and naval establishment generally held their annual ball last night. The R. G. A. theatre was prettily decorated for the occasion, and dancing was kept up until late hour. Guests from Kowloon and Stonecutters' Island were taken back on launches at about 2 a.m., after a most enjoyable evening.

The contingent of Volunteers provisionally selected to represent Hongkong at the coronation in June, will include Liout.-Ool. A. Chapman, V.D., Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, Captain M. S. Northcott, Lieutenant W. Russell; Sergeant M. McIver, Sergeant E. M. Hayward, Sergeant F. O. Day, and Sergeant A. E. Wright.

The Bishop of Victoria, accompanied by the Rev. A. D. Stewart and W. Rogers, has left Hongkong for Pakloio by the s.s. "Mathilda". The Bishop proposes holding confirmations and inspecting the various mission stations between Pakloio and Nanning, returning via the West River. He will be absent from Hongkong for about a fortnight.

The Hatton Cup Committee will meet in the Court Martial Room, Scandal Point, on Monday. The committee is composed as follows:—President, Major W. M. Withycombe, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I. Members, 1 officer 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., 2 officers 13th Rajputs, 2 officers 105th M.L.I.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, Y.M.C.A., the various committees for the ensuing year were elected, with the following as chairmen: Educational, Mr. H. Sykes, Membership, Mr. W. Smart, Social, Mr. R. G. Barlow, Athletic, Mr. L. le Breton, Rooms, Mr. A. W. Smith, while the Finance Committee is composed of the following:

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Mr. A. H. Harris and Mr. A. Bryot.

Station leave has been granted to the undermentioned officers for the periods stated against their name:—Captain T. C. Leah, R.G.A., from 14th to 28th February, 1911. Lieutenant G. H. Staveley, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., from 17th February to 3rd March, 1911. Lieutenant C. R. T. Thorp, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., from 17th February to 3rd March, 1911. 2nd-Lieut. G. J. de Hoghton, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., from 17th February to 3rd March, 1911. 2nd-Lieut. A. U. Colls-Brown, 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I., from 17th February to 3rd March, 1911. Leave of absence, on private affairs, to the neighbouring countries, has been granted to Capt. C. H. D. St. Clair, A.B.C., from 27th April to 20th June, inclusive.

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES

WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

WANTED, A LEADER.

The hour generally finds the man and doubtless, in her direst need Great Britain, will find the leader that she seeks. At the same time it cannot be denied that none of the now holding offices, and even fewer, of the men who face them on the Opposition benches, inspire the high respect and confidence accorded the leaders of a former generation. Mr. Balfour may be a supreme master of party craft as practised within the walls of the House of Parliament, and Mr. Asquith may be a very model of legal probity combined with adroitness, but neither at the present moment commands the unanimous approval of their respective parties. And therein they demonstrate how far they fall short of being ideal leaders.

Daily Press.

EDUCATION IN HONGKONG.

It is, in our restricted meaning of the term, infinitely easier to successfully claim for a school examination than for the Oxford Local, and when it is urged that the scheme of the Oxford Local is too ambitious for Oriental students we can only point in answer to the successes achieved by Chinese students in Hongkong, Shanghai, Chelow or Weihaiwei, which, if we are not sadly mistaken, command very favourably indeed with the parents of the schools of Home. It is to the great credit of Chinese students if this be so, and we have only to add that if a sound Western education is to be provided in the British schools of the East we know of no better basis on which it can rest than the scheme of the Oxford Local Examination.

South China Morning Post.

THE MASTERY OF THE PACIFIC.

The question of the Pacific Ocean is one of the most fascinating political problems which exists to-day in Eastern Asia, and from whatever point of view the student of affairs examines the changes in human activity which has taken place during the past century none is more striking than that which has brought the great ocean into the zone of practical politics. For long generations the Pacific was regarded as a mere insignificant; but, at distance became annihilated under the progress of modern science, its isolated waters began to serve as a road for the world's commerce, and an arena where the nations were assembling in rivalry. In the main, the changes which have taken place have been made since the defeat of China by Japan introduced a new element into the international aspects of the ocean.

BANDS OF ROBBERS.

LOOT AT VILLAGE.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, Feb. 8.

Some time ago His Excellency the Canton Viceroy dismissed from service the civil and military authorities of Shun Tak district, who had been failing in the capture of robbers in the village under their jurisdiction, as already recorded in your columns.

The action of the Viceroy has, however, not diminished the frequency of robberies in this district, of the following case of plunder will show.

On the afternoon of New Year's eve the village of Nam Sin, in that district, had the misfortune to be ransacked by robbers. The party consisted of

about 200 men. Some came into the village by land, and some by boat. They first set fire to the residence occupied by the boating fraternity, situated on the outskirts of the village, and then broke into the village itself.

Over one hundred and sixty families were looted, and over twenty shops and houses were burned down. Four villagers were shot. The extent of the booty could not be ascertained, but it represented a great deal. While the plunderers were playing havoc with the village, shots were freely fired.

The pitiable condition of the women and children was beyond description. They fled here and there, crying and yelling. Early next morning the malcontents despoiled with the booty.

[SPECIAL ARTICLE.]

Licensing Anomalies in Hongkong.

THE BARMAID QUESTION.

It may be beyond the powers of man to devise a system of laws that shall be utterly devoid of anomalies, but surely of all the anomalous Ordinances that ever were compiled there are few to be found outside the realms of comic opera that can hold a candle to the Hongkong licensing laws. True enough, various attempts are made by the Executive from time to time to have such inequalities removed when the fact of their existence is brought under notice, but it generally happens that almost before any amending Bill has been put through the original Ordinance requires some further pothering; and so it goes on, until those responsible for the administration of a particular law find themselves overwhelmed in a mass of amending and re-amending enactments. Such is the case with the Liquors Ordinance and to some extent with the Opium Ordinance.

And now a new regulation has been issued prohibiting the smoking of opium in all premises licensed as eating-houses.

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OPIUM DIVAN.

In the case of opium divans, too, a somewhat anomalous state of things has come into being. When the divans were abolished some months ago, opium smokers had recourse to tea-houses where they could smoke their own opium, bringing it there themselves and leaving the dress behind in response for the use of the pipe and other smoking paraphernalia. The Police held that those places were opium divans within the meaning of the law, but after a test case had been fully argued before the Magistrate, His Worship gave a ruling against this contention.

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MR. SIMON A. LEVY.

APPROACHING DEPARTURE FROM HONGKONG.

Mr. Simon A. Levy, the manager in Hongkong of the firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co., is about to take his departure from the Colony. Mr. Levy proceeds on home leave after having directed the affairs of his firm in Hongkong during the absence in Europe of Mr. C. S. Gibbey, for whom he has acted for about a year.

PLAYING THE PIANO.

During his tenure of office in Hongkong, Mr. Levy has occupied a seat on the advisory committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, and his counsels on all matters affecting the Indian trade have been of special value to the General Committee and to the Government when it had recourse to the Chamber for their advice. This was specially true in the matter of the opium controversy, which at one time resolved itself into a "triangular duel" between the ex-Viceroy at Canton, H.B.M. Consul-General at the Southern capital, and the British and Indian firms in Hongkong.

Mr. S. A. Levy's forthcoming departure has formed the occasion of a popular demonstration as that which attended the home-going of his predecessor in office, Mr. A. J. Raymond.

In honour of Mr. Levy a fancy dress masked ball is being held at the Jewish Recreation Club this evening, which promises to be a brilliantly successful function. A banquet will be tendered the departing *taipan* on Saturday week, and on the following day, the 12th inst., the members of the Club will be

"At Home" in honour of Mr. Levy.

Besides these functions, there will be several private entertainments, at which Mr. Levy will be the honoured guest.

VOLUNTEER NEWS.

Intimation has been given that the Volunteers will attend military operations with the Regulars on Friday, Feb. 15th. The men will probably leave Kowloon by the 7 a.m. train, returning to Hongkong about 4 p.m.

Also, field firing by the whole garrison will take place near Fanling some day after February 22nd.

Over 4,000 troops are expected to be out in the new territory before the end of this month.

BILLIARDS.

At the Grand Hotel last night Mr. Boldon met Mr. Percy in the second round of this handicap, and an excellent game resulted. Mr. Boldon won 100, and Mr. Percy was at scratch. At the start Mr. Percy went off with two breaks of 19, and this put him a long way ahead. By careful play Mr. Boldon gradually crept up until at 200 they were level.

A ding-dong game was then played, neither player allowing the other a chance, until at 234 Mr. Percy seized his opportunity and, playing a couple of beautiful runs through, finished the game 16 points ahead.

The score at the finish was:

YESTERDAY'S SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG RUGBY CLUB vs GARRISON.

The above teams met on the Hongkong Football Club ground yesterday afternoon in the second round of the Rugby-challenge cup competition. A large gathering of spectators watched the match with keen interest.

The teams lined up as follows:

Hongkong Football Club: — Full Back, T. S. Robson; ½-backs, H. G. Hogarty, D. S. Donnelly, A. E. Wood, J. C. Roberts; ¼-backs, T. Cooker, A. A. Claxton; forwards, J. F. McGregor (captain), A. Temperley, D. G. Cheeseman, E. H. Scott, W. Ross, J. Bell-Irving, T. E. Graham and W. R. Sutherland.

The Garrison: — Lieutenant Williams, A. S. C.; back; Pte. Heyd, K. O. Y. L. I., Lt. S. Bagwell and Paris, R. G. A.; Lieut. Collis Brown, K. O. Y. L. I., three-quarters; Lieuts. Wiltshire and Thicknesse, R. G. A.; half-backs; Capt. Loving, R. G. A.; Lieuts. Tod and Denton, R. G. A.; Lieuts. Bradley and Lambert, K. O. Y. L. I.; Lieut. Webb, R. E.; Gunner Ryan, R. G. A.; and Lieut.-Cpl. Scrivener, K. O. Y. L. I., forwards.

The match was a fast and exciting one from start to finish, and at an early stage the Garrison had matters their own way and succeeded in getting three tries but with no further result. This gave them a lead of 9 points. Before the call of time the club notched a try, and this put them 3 points up.

The second half was much more exciting than the first, and immediately after resuming the Club scored a goal, making the score 9—3 in favour of the Garrison. The game was fast and after a time the Club succeeded in scoring another goal. The game at this stage looked as if it would result in a victory for the Civilians, but nevertheless the Garrison team did not give up hope, and with a beautiful run up they managed to get a try, which resulted in a goal. The Club attempted many times to increase their margin, but nothing eventuated, and the game resulted as follows:

Garrison 14 points; Club 13 pts.

HOCKEY.

The Royal Engineers' hockey team will meet the K.O.Y.L.I. team in a friendly game on Monday afternoon, at 3.30 p.m., on the Military ground at Happy Valley.

The H.M.S. Monmouths' hockey team will play the Mahratta's second eleven in a friendly game on Monday at 3 p.m., on the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon.

CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION.

The H.M.S. Monmouths will play the Mahratta's on Thursday afternoon, in the second round of the above competition, on the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon.

U.S.R.C. vs. R.G.A.

The above match was played on Thursday afternoon on the Kowloon side in connection with the competition, and after a fast and exciting game resulted in a draw—3 all.

THE "GAZETTE."

His Excellency the Governor has appointed CHARLES WILLIAM MALLEYS BROWNE, Commander, R.N., to act as Harbour Master, Marine Magistrate, Emigration and Customs Officer, Registrar of Shipping, Superintendent of the Gunpowder Depot and Collector of Light Dues, during the absence or leave of RANKIN, RONALD HAMILTON TAYLOR, Commander, R.N., or until further notice.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed EDWARD JONES to act as Assistant Harbour Master and ARTHUR EDWARD DAVER to act as First Boarding Officer, with effect from this date.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed, under Section 5 of the Liquor Licences Amendment Ordinance 1909, (Ordinance No. 46 of 1909), the Honourable Mr. ARTHUR WIMBOLD BROWNE to act as Chairman of the Licensing Board, until further notice, vice Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY, K.O.M.G., resigned.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed the Honourable Mr. ARTHUR WIMBOLD BROWNE to be Chairman of the Board of Examiners, vice Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY, K.O.M.G., resigned, and JOHN ROSEKRANS WOOD to be a Member of the Board.

COMMERCIAL.

FREIGHT CIRCULAR.

Messrs. Lamke and Roggo report:—Business during the interval has, as would be expected, to a great extent been influenced by the Chinese New Year holidays, and paying of prompt tonnage was difficult. Still a fair amount of chartering has come to pass.

Saigon/Hongkong:—As will be seen in the list of settlements overleaf there has been a very considerable falling off in the way of chartering, and charterers had to be met by 14 cents being accepted for loading immediately after Chinese New Year.

At the time of writing the demand is slight, but as the local rice market however is improving, there are all signs that renewed activity will set in very shortly and the demand for delivery about a week hence is sure to increase.

Saigon/Philippines:—Demand for fairly prompt was filled by the charterers of a few boats, rates obtained being very poor indeed.

Bangkok:—The N. D. L. Bangkok liners continue competing for freights from Saigon to this and another such fixture is on record.

Saigon/Java and Hongkong:—There is still very little doing for prompt in either direction.

Rangoon:—Reports have it that Japan has bought some 30,000 tons of rice. Chartering up to now seems to have been confined to Japanese tonnage except British s.s. "Gryphus," fixed in London. The rate, it is said, is as low as 9/6d. per ton.

Dalny/Amyo:—Except the fixtures done up North a boat has been settled locally at 20 cents per picul.

Taikoo salt from Quang Chow Wan to Hongkong and Macao a small size vessel was secured at 10 cents per picul.

Hai Phong/Philippines: a charter has been arranged to 2 ports P. I., 10,000 casks at 73 cents per picul.

Quing Yen:—Another fixture was put through at last rate paid, i.e. \$1.60 per ton.

The North:—Things are very quiet and the small demand for tonnage tends to keep rates low. As to future prospects much will depend upon to what extent business will suffer from the outbreak of plague.

Hoang to this:—Consumers have filled requirements by supplying their own tonnage. The mines are resuming business in a few days and there may be further charters shortly.

Cool freights from Japan are declining. Business was done in following directions:—Wakanatsu/Hongkong \$1.50; Wakanatsu/Canton \$2.25/42; Kaitouza, Sinanjo, \$2.60 per ton.

Tin Charter:—The Norw. s.s. "Dugay" 882 tons net, is taken up for a short period at \$4.25, prompt delivery, to trade between Hongkong and Canton up the Sikiang proceed in steamers, via independent routes to the treaty port of Wuchow, whence they are carried in motor boats, steam launches, lighters and junks to Nanning. The steam launches do not generally run above the Ta Tan Rapid, about 130 miles below Nanning. Beyond Nanning cargo is conveyed to Pofo, the limit of junk navigation. The report concludes by saying that motor boats will in future probably run regularly between Nanning and Pofo from April to December.

THE PLAGUE IN MANCHURIA.

SAID TO ORIGINATE FROM MARMOT SKINS.

The Mukden correspondent of the Times in a letter of the 11th ultimo, describes the spread of the plague in Manchuria as follows:

A terrible disease, the Mongolian Plague, is raging in Kirin Province and is even travelling this way, while it is reported that it is working havoc along the Russian Railway eastwards from Harbin. The pity of the whole thing is that it might so easily have been checked and isolated, as it broke out at Khailar and Manchuria, two remote places in the far north-west.

There are no people to speak of, between Khailar and Tsitsihar city, a distance of several hundred miles of mountains and dry plains. The Russians tried their best, but were simply checkmated by the over-stolid quanity of the Chinese marmots, who were responsible for that region. It began, it is quite evident, from the vast number of

MARMOT SKINS which had been accumulated at the above two places, by an enterprising trader, who, it is stated, sent them off to America. Hundreds of nomad tribes were employed all last summer and autumn, scouring the Mongol plains for these skins.

Now, it is a well known fact that this animal is the chronic origin of the Mongolian form of the Plague, as the rats of the India form. To the south of Khailar this form of sickness has been, more or less known to be always endemic, but has not often broken out locally into epidemic, as the Mongols usually leave those animals and their bands severely alone. The Chinese who hunted the marmots, were first rate plague subjects. They were all kinds of ex-gamblers and opium smokers and, in fact,

POORLY FEED AND VERY WEAK in stamina, as are the majority of those who form the outlying populations of Manchuria, in the north. They were crowded into wretched hovels or lins, and there were no sanitary or other arrangements as to pure water, &c. When the trouble reached the native town of Chuchihien, as the Chinese part of Harbin is called, there too, it found conditions most congenial. The poorer Russians also offered a welcome, by their habits in many ways.

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DISINSTRUCTED ENERGY.

The authorities in this city of Mukden seem alive to the situation, but unless they enlist the help of the European and Japanese doctors, who are willing to do their best, they will not effect much good. The Chinese should take strong action and deal firmly yet firmly with all concerned. It bids fair to work more mischief than all the wars this unfortunate land has ever experienced, unless it is checked.

One would that the Government students, who are stamping the country to "rouse" the people against Japan, Russia, and all foreigners, in order to force an early gathering of a Parliament, would use their superior knowledge towards enlightening the poor ignorant villagers and townspeople, so that they may be the better cope with the real enemy that is now gripping them.

Nales:—The Belge. s.s. "Mortlake" 1737 tons Net Reg., Germ. s.s. "Tringau" 600 tons Net Reg., and s.s. "Hilary" 1276 tons Net Reg., are reported sold to Japan, terms are kept private.

COAL MARKET.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough, in their coal report, state that since last report sales of 53,000 tons Japanese are reported at \$6.00 to \$7.75 per ton. No business reported in other kinds.

The quotations are:—Cardiff \$19.00 to 21.00 ex godown, nominal.

Australian West Wiltsend \$1.20 ex-ship, nominal.

Yubari Lump \$12.00 nominal.

Mitsui Lump \$10.50 to \$11.00 ex-ship, nominal.

Mofu Lump \$7.75 to \$9.50 ex-ship, steady.

Mofu Uncensored \$6.00 to \$8.00 ex-ship, steady.

Akatsuka Lump \$8.25 to \$8.50 ex-ship, steady.

Labuan Lump \$9.00 ex-ship, nominal.

Kaiyung Navy Lump \$10.00 to \$10.25 ex-ship, Nominal.

Kaiyung Loco Lump \$7.50 to \$7.75 ex-ship.

Kaiyung No. 5 Dust \$6.50 to \$6.75 ex-ship.

Kaiyung No. 1 Dust \$6.25 ex-ship, ceremonies close.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

The Ministry of Finance has decided to change the "Ta Ching" Bank entirely, and divide it into two parts. That in which is invested the Government capital will be called the Imperial Government Bank, and that with the people's money will be known as "To Chok" Bank. The change is to be effected immediately the New Year ceremonies close.

AMERICAN NEWS.

[VIA MANILA.]

Washington, January 28.—Resident Commissioner Manuel Quezon has prepared a speech to be delivered on the floor of the House in which he attacks the policy of the Philippine Government in administering and disposing of the tribal lands in the Philippines Islands.

The gist of Senor Quezon's speech is that the Filipino people regard the ownership of large tracts of land in the Philippines by foreigners as a menace to the independence of the islands both political and economic. Senor Quezon has been assisting Representative Martin in the tribal land inquiry.

Washington, January 30.—It is now regarded as very probable that the President will call an extra session of Congress immediately upon the adjournment of the present Congress.

President Taft is not content with what Congress has done so far and is determined to have more of his programme enacted if possible. One matter upon which Taft has set his mind is the reciprocity arrangement with Canada.

He is determined to have the treaty ratified and is not disposed to let the Senate kill the measure by failure to act upon it during the session.

President Taft regards such an arrangement as one of the best ways of reducing the cost of living in the United States by admitting foodstuffs free from the Dominion.

MOTOR BOATS FOR CHINA.

THE WEST RIVER TRADE.

We quoted a few weeks ago the opinion of a leading marine engineer to the effect that he fully expected a great increase in the use of motor boats on Chinese waterways during the next few years. This opinion is now confirmed by a report of H.B.M.'s Legation at Peking to the British Foreign Office on the trade of the Sikkang, says the "National Review." Go's going from Hongkong or Canton up the Sikiang proceed in steamers, via independent routes to the treaty port of Wuchow, whence they are carried in motor boats, steam launches, lighters and junks to Nanning. The steam launches do not generally run above the Ta Tan Rapid, about 130 miles below Nanning. Beyond Nanning cargo is conveyed to Pofo, the limit of junk navigation. The report concludes by saying that motor boats will in future probably run regularly between Nanning and Pofo from April to December.

LOCAL SHARES.

MESSRS. E.S. KADOOKE'S WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. E.S. Kadooké and Co., writing under yesterday's date on the share market, report as follows:

Business for the period under review has been on quite a small scale owing to the advent of China's New Year holidays, and the market has not yet settled down to ordinary business conditions.

The London rubber market has shown a slight tendency to rise, but business has been on a very limited scale. Advices from Singapore continue to indicate a very sluggish market at that port.

Belarus of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during the month ended 31st January, 1911, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks.

Banks Average Specie Amount In Reserve Chartered.

Bank of India, Australia and China..... \$6,668,447 \$4,000,000

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation..... \$15,276,831 \$11,000,000

National Bank of China..... 26,560 MIL.

Total \$21,866,858 \$15,000,000

CANTON'S WATER SUPPLY.

RATE INCREASED.

[THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT]

Canton, Feb. 3.

The shareholders of the Water Supply in Canton have petitioned the Canton Vigemcy proposing an increase of the rate of the water supply charges.

His Excellency has minutes that the petitioners proposal is quite reasonable, as the company has been working at a loss.

Commencing this month, the rate will be increased by 25 per cent, and such houses or buildings requiring a large supply of water should be fitted with meters. The quantity of water allowed for in each house depends on the number of inmates.

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MARSEILLE	MITSASAKI MARU,	WEDNESDAY, 1st
LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	Capt. T. Mori, KITANO MARU,	Feb. 9th, 1st Daylight.
PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	Capt. E. Cope, IYO MARU,	Mar. 1st Daylight.
PORT SAID.	Capt. R. Tatara,	Mar. 7th, 1st Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE	SADO MARU, Capt. S. Bjorndahl	SATURDAY, 15th Feb., From KOBE.

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YOKOHAMA

KOBE AND YOKO

HIBANO MARU, CAPT. H. Fraser

YAWATA MARU, CAPT. T. Sekine

YAMA MARU, CAPT. A. Moeller

HAKATA MARU, CAPT. A. Moeller

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GAPORE AND COLOMBO

TOKIO

GREENHUT.

MAN WITH JUDGMENT WHO WON BY LAYING DOWN FOUR JACKS.

"Somewhere in the Good Book," remarked old man Greenhut, "it says how a man is either too much afraid or else his hand is small who fears to shove his hull wad in the pot at win or lose it all."

"Penslike there was more hoss sense in the Bible nor most people realizes, more special when it comes to what is wrote about draw poker. I reckon if a man was to set up daytimes fr a spell an' study them sayin's prayerful till he got so's to understand the reel meanin' of all the parabolic parts, p'r'ably the proverbs, he'd improve his play wonderfull."

"Many a time I've saw two players goin' in one another into a big pot, when one was afraid up 'other chestn't. Stands to reason one on 'em'd win when it come to the showdown, but he wouldn't win no such money as he would if he'd had nerve enough to play along."

"Oh, I don't know," said Mr. Owen Pepper. "If he win the pot he must of called anyway. He couldn't win nothin' by layin' down, could he? Sometimes it takes more nerve to call than it does for to bluff."

The old man's mouth opened in astonishment so suddenly that he dropped his cigar on the floor. Hastily picking it up again, he pulled vigorously on it a few times to see if it was still alight, and then looked at Mr. Pepper for a time as if amazed.

DO AN INJUSTICE.

"Say, Pepper," he exclaimed after a pause, "you do yourself a powerful injustice. Pears like you 'an always sayin' you don't know, but a man 'n knows he don't know nothin' knows a heap more'n one 'n knows it all."

"A recizin' sonsef of not knowin' nothin', like you 'pears to have, is liable for to be a steppin' stone onto the road to alls comepin' nigh human intelligence. One to hear you talk an' to look at you wouldn't be liable for to give you ere fit. I kinakin' no more'n you tell about not knowin' nothin', but there is gleams now an' again what'd give y'r friends, if you had any, some reason fr thinkin' 't your ericain's so hopeless as it looks."

"Take that one observatory o' yours about a man not within nothin' by layin' in down into a game o' poker. One'd almost think f'm that 't you'd tell the difference between draw poker an' a hog-guessin'."

"O' course, taht likely noways 't you could, but as the Scripter says, you 'n put on the appearance of evil if you have it not. If you'd only be kind enough for to keep onten here-inot 't the time I'd put you onto a job where your pecculiar talents 'd have a show to shine."

AT HIS BEGINNING.

"First, I knew o' Jerry Bemis, said old man Greenhut, "was when I was tendin' bar up to Little Rock into Jim Goslin's place. Goslin run a game in his back room, same's everybody did, an' Jerry Bemis was just beginnin' his officiation."

"Pears like he got a understandin' o' the game tol'alb easy, bein' some talented, but he didn't get on well, bein' as Goslin was considerabli slick in dealin' an' win off everybody as played with him. So Jerry he got some discouraged."

"He says to me one day, 'Looks like I'd have to go to work for a livin'. I reckon I ain't cut out fr a professional. Stead o' gettin' on in the world like I was lookin' to I 'pear to be losin' what little I find fr a start.'

"So I says to him 'what he needed was more faith.'

"No man, I says, 'n' expect to stand up ag'in-a-bunch o' experienced players, 'n' get away with a pot frequent. It takes many a swat f'm the horny hand o' experience,' I says, 'for to develop a man's character sufficient fr him to hold his own, let alone gettin' the honors an' emollients o' th' game. You want to keep studyn' an' practisin' fr a spell yet, I says, 'an' moron' likely you'll make a player in the course o' time.'

"Naturally I wasn't lookin' for to see him make no player, but I ain't one to discourage a beginner, not while he's p'dusin' enough for to make it worth while to play with him, so I cheered him up the best I could an' he kep' on playin' 'til bimby he p'eared to get a fresh start."

"He says to me next day, 'I didn't win none o' that yaht's money on them four jacks I hol', but I sure did wha' the two thousand what I had in my wad by layin' the hand down. I reckon that's doin' tol'alb well.'

"If he wasn't exactly cimorlatin' wealth, but he waro more'n holdin' his own, long o' bein' th' most cautiousest player in Little Rock. Peared like he got so he 'd smell anythin' crooked in

the deal afore it were fairly did an' the better his hand was the more he wouldn't go in. An' he come to be some skilled his own self in dealin'."

"That was what I knowned o' the beginnin's o' Jerry Bemis' career, what come to be one o' the best players in Little Rock an' died rich an' respected later on, 'long o' him not gettin' weary in well doin', like the Scripter says. I alays took a heap o' satisfaction, rememberin' how I give him the good advice to 'kep' him fr givin' up an' so ruinin' hi-hull future."

"O' course, he had his setbacks, like a man will while he's drivin', but he was out had intellect enough to see into things, an' when he lose a pot, he'd study out why 'twas, so's 't hit play keep improvin' constant."

"There was one night 't a yap I'm th' Ozarks blow into Little Rock lookin' fr excitement an' gettin' considerable chunks o' it while he sampled the liquor into nigh all th' saloons in town. Peared like most everybody he'd meet give him some new xperience, an' by the time he reached Goslin's there wasn't a hellava lot left outside a good kickin' 't he hadn't run up against."

SEVEN FEET; HOLLOW LEGS.

"Bein' as he was one o' them seven-foot fellers with hollow legs, like they raise up in th' Ozarks, the liquor he drunk mostly run down to his boots, leavin' him half sober, an' while he was treatin' th' crowd in our front room, he heard th' chips a rattlin' in the back room, so he says he reckons he'll take a hand 't th' ain't no 'jections, which there wasn't, him havin' a sizable wad."

"Goslin an' Jerry Bemis had come to a sort of understandin' by this time, an' there wasn't no speker stood much o' a chunst in the game when them two was playin' like they was that night. An' it was a tol'able good night fr suckers at that, bein' as they was three members o' Legislator playing, all 'n havin' a month's pay an' consid'able mileage in their kicks."

"The yap—he said his name was Jake Rutlin—he threw in a hundred dollar bill an' give him chips, an' he set in like he knew sompin' about what he was doin', so I seen, 't Bemis an' Goslin was sizin' him up. Same erful at first, not knowin' but what might be one o' them crossroads gamblers 't blows into town, fit to time an sometimes doin' tol'able well afore they're found out. But after a dozen hands or so they seen 't he was a plain yap, even 't he wan't no fool an' had played some afore."

HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHER.
ARRESTED IN BANGKOK.

Recently there arrived in Bangkok a Chinese from Hongkong who was supposed to be a photographer, on an engagement with a local studio. He lodged with a Chinese tailor known as Kyong On Chong, and on Sunday some articles of jewellery, gold bracelets, rings and other goods to the value of about ticals 300, were found missing. On enquiry being made, says the "Bangkok Daily Mail," it was found that the said Chinese had spent the day in the city.

The occurrence of the theft was in the meantime reported to the police, who visited the house of the lodger on the same night, when the alleged thief was taken into custody on suspicion. He denied all knowledge of the affair, and yesterday the police found a clue which led to the whereabouts of the lodger who had been visiting. On a careful search being made of the premises the articles of jewellery were all recovered hidden in different places. The accused is now in prison awaiting trial.

BACK AT EACH OTHER.

"They went back at each other five or six times, makin' it more an' more of a raise each time, till there was nigh a thou-and dollars in the pot, an' on end had skint their wads considerabli frea, but they'd both showed a fist full o' big bills, an' it look'd like ther'd be a killin' fr fair."

Bimby Bemis says, "I reckon you're some stin'g, an' I won't raise you no more above the draw. So he covered the last raise an' picked up the deck to serve the draw."

I reckoned I'm that he knewed tol'able well what was doin' an' wanted to make the yap think he was weak so's he'd get a whoppin' big bet called later off, but the yap never hatted an eye when he said, 'You might help yourself if you want any cards. An' he leaned back in his chair."

Then he put his hand up to the back of his neck an' pulled out a bowle. There hadn't been no call fr a weepin' up to that time, but he p'eared like he thought he'd like one handy, an' he began whitlin' his finger nails with it like he wanted to show how sharp 't was.

Then Bemis, he smiled kind o' sickly an' says he reckons he'll stand pat too, an' the yap threw a gold dollar in the pot an' kep' on whitlin' his nails like he didn't care much what Bemis do, an' Bemis looked at him steady fr a minute or so."

He had his hull wad in his hand, an' the way I sized it up he'd been rockin' on puttin' it all in the pot, but he looked at the yap an' then he looked at the knife, an' then he looked at the yap ag'in an' then he says, "That's good, an' he throwed his hand down."

"He says to me next day, 'I didn't win none o' that yaht's money on them four jacks I hol', but I sure did wha' the two thousand what I had in my wad by layin' the hand down. I reckon that's doin' tol'alb well.'

OPPORTUNITY.

[BY ELBERT HUBBARD.]

There is a gray-bearded maxim honoured on account of its venerability, which runs thus: "Opportunity knocks once at each man's door."

John J. Ingalls once went a-sommin' around this proverb, and soine say he wrote the finest sonnet ever written by an American.

I am inclined to think this is so; and if it is, it proves for us that truth is one thing and poetry another.

The actual fact is that this day opportunity not only knocks at your door, but is playin' an anvil chorus on every man's door, and lays for the owner around the corner with a club.

The world is in sore need of men who can do things.

Indeed, cases can easily be recalled by every one where opportunity actually smashed in the door and collarred her candidate and dragged him forth to success.

These cases are exceptional; usually you have to go out and meet opportunity. But the only way you can get away from opportunity is to lie down and die. Opportunity does not trouble dead men, nor dead ones who flatter themselves that they are alive.

"Lot no man repine on account of lack of early advantages. Rarely run away from advantages—they cannot digest them. "If I had my way I would set all young folks at work and send the old women to school," said Socrates, 420 B.C.

What Socrates meant was that after you have battled a bit with actual life and begun to feel your need for education, you are for the first time, ready to take advantage of your opportunities and learn.

Education is a matter of desire. An education cannot be imparted. It has to be won, and you win by working.

The great blunders of the colleges is that they have lifted men out of life in order to educate them for life. All educated college men know this and acknowledge it.

Choose what you will be and then get at it. You'll win. If you quit, it simply shows you did not want an education.

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ARRESTED IN BANGKOK.

Recently there arrived in Bangkok a Chinese from Hongkong who was supposed to be a photographer, on an engagement with a local studio. He lodged with a Chinese tailor known as Kyong On Chong, and on Sunday some articles of jewellery, gold bracelets, rings and other goods to the value of about ticals 300, were found missing. On enquiry being made, says the "Bangkok Daily Mail," it was found that the said Chinese had spent the day in the city.

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WISDOM WHILE YOU WAIT.

Mr. Benwell Bird.—There is such a thing as a holy discontent.

Dean of Norwich.—Few New Year resolutions are more than good impulses, which die still-born.

Mr. A. MacCallum Scott.—The modern tendency is to regard men as more calculating, logic-chopping machines.

Dr. McNaught.—He is a brave man who faces the shrieking, howling, grunting stage in learning the cello—and defies the neighbours, too.

Rev. C. W. Bennett.—The laity should cease to think it bad form to discuss the sermon to the person's face.

Sir Hubert Parry.—The ardour of the English people for annexing the possessions of foreigners has made the task of the native song composer superfluously difficult.

Mr. Kebble Howard.—The Americans are a great and free people; but their passion for making rules needs checking.

Mrs. Polkinghorne.—The idler at school may often be the best fitted for life.

Rev. Charles Brown.—No peace which is not based upon justice can be lasting.

Sir Rupert Boyce.—Schemes of prosperity-sharing will play a large part in solving the pressing economic problem of the times.

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